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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of:

AVENTIS DOCKET NO.: 2551 US CNT
INVENTORS: Philippe Becourt, et al.
TITLE: **Pharmaceutical Formulation Having a Masked Taste and Method For The Production Thereof**



APPLICATION ELEMENTS

1. ☒ *Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Specification
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the DisclosureTotal Pages 15
3. ☐ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113)
Total Sheets
4. Oath or Declaration
Total Pages 2
 - a. ☒ Newly unexecuted (original or copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR § 1.63(d))
 - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. Power of Attorney
Total Pages
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6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

7. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission

(if applicable, all necessary)

- a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

☒ If a **CONTINUING** Application, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part

of prior application no: **PCT/FR02/02158**, filed **June 21, 2002**.

Examiner _____, Group/Art Unit _____.

(The cross reference has been/will be inserted on page one of the specification).

☒ This application claims the benefit of **French Application No. 0108157**,
filed **June 21, 2001**.

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☐ **Incorporation By Reference** (useable if filing a continuation/divisional and a copy of the declaration from the prior application is enclosed.)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

7. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
8. ☐ 37 CFR §3.73(b) Statement
(when there is an assignee)
9. ☐ Verified English Translation Document (if applicable)
10. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
13. ☐ *Small Entity Statement(s) ☐ Statement filed in prior application,
(PTO/SB/09-12) Status still proper and desired
14. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
(if foreign priority is claimed)
15. ☒ Other: Application Data Sheet (3 pgs.)

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